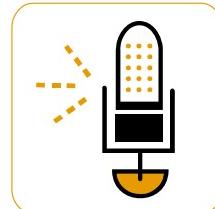


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UNS Birthday and Medals Voting.

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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

It's hard to believe that the month of May is upon us. Time flies when you're having fun. Numismatics is probably the reason!

Have you heard about the new \$100 bill? According to a recent press release, the new C notes flank the familiar face of Ben Franklin with an assortment of anti-counterfeiting technology, including a touch of "Avatar" via a new blue security strip. This 3-D strip features tiny Liberty Bells that morph into the number 100 when the bill is tilted, one of several changes that treasury officials hope will frustrate

global counterfeiters. The strip is actually woven into the bill, rather than printed on the paper. And you won't need special glasses to see (or spend) them; all the new technology is visible to the naked eye. The bill - due to debut Feb. 10, 2011 - also features a color-changing inkwell and Liberty Bell to the right of Franklin's familiar visage. Also, an embedded thread to Franklin's left will glow pink when placed under ultraviolet light. And the words "The United States of America" will be micro-printed on Franklin's jacket collar - a 21st century touch for the 18th century Founding Father. Again, all of these changes have been incorporated into

the new C note in an attempt to stay ahead of counterfeiters. I hope it works!

Nothing is more common on earth than to deceive and be deceived.

**Johann G. Seume, 1763-1810,
German Theologist**

May is UNS birthday month, so come & have some cake. We'll also select the club medals for 2010 & have a bourse night as well. Bring something to barter, sell or display. See you there!
Tom Jensen

Tom Jensen

May Meeting Details.

Meetings - Second Tuesday of each month (May 11th)

Time - 7:00 P.M.

Location - Columbus Community Center; 2531 South 400 East, SLC

Greetings - Tom Jensen

Mini Exhibit - David Larsen

News & Views - Robert Brundige

Coin Quiz - Kelly Finnegan

Refreshments- UNS

UNS Schedule for 2010

May – UNS Birthday
Past President Speaker

June – YN Program

July – UNS Picnic

August – Speaker - TBA

Sept. – Auction

Oct.–Grading Seminar
Speaker – TBA

Nov.–Bourse/Elections

Dec.–Christmas Dinner

Interesting Coin of the Month

1914/3 Buffalo Nickel



This overdate is a testimony that new things can and are still being discovered in our coinage. This variety was not discovered until 1996. It was most likely overlooked for almost 100 years because the overdate is very difficult to see, especially on lower grade coins. An additional overdate has been reported for this date from the Denver mint and one has been rumored to exist from San Francisco. Presently only the Philadelphia issue is recognized and graded by the major grading services. Although it does command a premium it is not as widely collected as a member of the Buffalo nickel set like the 1918/7 overdate or the 1937-D three-legged issue. Nonetheless it is an interesting coin which again attests to the fact than new things can still be discovered. Keep looking closely at your coins; you never know what you may find.

UNS Program for May's Meeting

May is our birthday. We will be asking past Presidents and officers to speak. Also please see the back page for submitted drawings to be voted on for this year's UNS medal. If you have a last minute idea please bring it to our meeting and it will be included in the voting.

Prizes & Buy of the Month

This month's buy is:

- TBA



Vermont Copper Coin with a Latin legend.

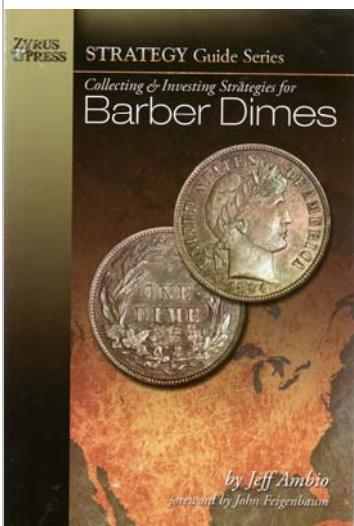
Prizes of the Month –

Gold Piece – Grand Prize

Silver Bar (Small)
1884-O Morgan Dollar BU
1979 Mint Set
1835 Bust Dime
2001 Half (Clad Proof)
1979 Denver Souvenir Set
1953 Proof Cent U.S.
John Q. Adams Medal
1868 2-Cent Piece
1981 Proof Set
1941 Dime 'Slabbed MS66'
1959 Proof Quarter
1979 SBA Dollar Set
2000 German 10 Mark 'Slabbed'
1983 P&D Halves

1976 Silver IKE Proof	Membership Prize
SBA Set	Promptness Prize
2008 Eagle Half	Junior Prize

Book Review



This month's book is a reference on the Barber Dime series. I purchased this book at the recent ANA in Ft. Worth as it is a recent release. Suggested retail price is \$29.95, it is 422 pages in length. This book is published in black and white and contains a wealth of information for anyone interested in this series. There is a chapter for each date and mintmark as well as chapters for each proof issue.

The following characteristics for each issue are outlined –

- Important Varieties
- General Comments
- Strike
- Luster
- Surfaces
- Toning
- Eye Appeal

Additionally significant high grade examples and their recent auction appearances are documented. Basically this is a 'condition census' for each issue.

Finally, there are tables similar to the recent 'Red Books' on different series' of coins outlining the population estimated to have survived in mint state conditions. Valuations for each grade are also included.

The chapter on the 1894-S dime is quite extensive and contains a lot of great information regarding this classic rarity.

This is a book designed for the specialist of the series but as with any numismatic book, it contains a wealth of information which has been painstakingly assembled.



Coin Quiz & Trivia

In God We Trust on the back of
a Silver Certificate.

Answers to last month's questions.

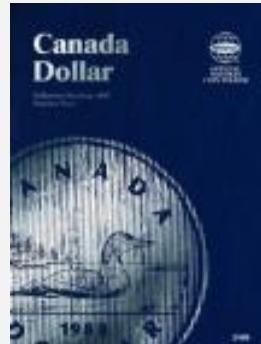
- 1) 1861 Paquet \$20 2) 1916 Quarter 3) 1922 High Relief Peace dollar 4) 1859 Indian Head Cent 5) 1815

Young Numismatist's Corner

This is an announcement for next month's young numismatists extravaganza.

We would like to advertise a fantastic night of activities for the youth of our club, their friends, and the youth of any other collecting club.

Any and all are welcome to the June YN meeting.



So..... Please let all of your friends know of this special event. Invite them and tell them how fun coin collecting can be and that all members and non-members are eligible for coins, prizes and fun.

Counterfeit Corner

1916-D MERCURY DIME

Added Mintmark



GENUINE



Pick Up Point

Shape of Mintmark

Frequency Encountered
Very common

Identification Difficulty
Moderate

Value
Medium to high

The 1916-D Mercury dime is probably the most altered coin seen. The favorite way to create this rarity is to add a “D” mintmark and this is the key to identification. Genuine coins have a square D and the inside of the D is triangular. The serifs are not pointed and the D is crisp and sharp. There are 4 reverse dies of which two show repunching of the mintmark showing a notch on the upper serif. It is actually more difficult to identify a fake if the dime is well worn. A worn mintmark/coin can make the diagnostics more difficult to observe.

Feature Article – E Pluribus Unum Doug Nyholm

We are all familiar with the Latin expression 'E Pluribus Unum' which appears on all of our coins today. Probably most of us although not versed in Latin know of its meaning – One composed of many, or One out of many, but what about the large list of Latin legends which appear on dozens of other coins which circulated in America? Granted, most of these no longer appear and virtually all appeared on what we refer to as 'colonial' coins. For instance the 'Conferderatio Cents' listed on page 54 of the 2011 Red Book have the legend "AMERICA INIMICA TRYANNIS." However the Red Book does not translate this legend which means "America, hostile to tyrants." Below is a list of other Latin legends appearing on colonial coins and the translations.

COIN	LEGEND	TRANSLATION	2011 RED BOOK PAGE
Connecticut Coppers	Auctori Connec.	By Authority of Connecticut	Page 58
1787 Auctori Plebius Tokens	Auctori Plebis	By Authority of the People	Page 70
French Colonies 1767	Benedicte Sit Nomen Domini	Blessed be the name of the Lord	Page 51
Lord Baltimore Coinage	Crescite Et Moltiplicamini	Increase and multiply	Page 38
Maryland Penny	Denarium Terrae Mariae	Maryland Penny	Page 38
St. Patrick coinage	Ecce Grex	Behold the Flock	Page 39
Brasher Doubloons	Excelsior	Higher, more Lofty	Page 61
Washington Pieces	Floreat Rex	May the King prosper	
Rosa America Coins	Georgivs Triumpho	I, George, triumph	Page 71
Immune Columbia Pieces	Georgivs, Dei Gratia, Magnae	George, by the grace of God, King	Page 40/41
Vermont 1786	Britanniae, Franciae et Hiberniae Rex	of Great Britain of France and of Ireland	
Nova Constellatio Coppers	Immune Columbia	Free America	Page 53/54
	Inde. Et Lib.	Independence and Liberty	Page 67/58
	In Unitate Fortitudo	In Union there is strength	
	Libertas Justita	Liberty through justice	Page 52
	Liber Natus Libertatem de Fendo	Being born free, I defend Liberty	
	Non Dependens Status	Independent of Position	
Nova Constellatio Coppers	Nova Constellatio	The New Constellation	Page 52
New Jersey Coppers	Nova Caesarea	New Jersey	Page 65
New York Copper	Non Vi Virtute Vici	I Conquered by Virtue, Not by Force	Page 62
New York Copper	Neo Eboracensis	New York	Page 63
Vermont Copper	Quarta decimal Stella	The 14 th Star (Vermont 14 th State)	Page 67
	Quiescat Plebes	May the people be quiet	
Rosa Americana Coins	Rosa America	The American Rose	Page 40/41
Castorland Medals	Salva Magna Parenis Frugum	Hail, Thou Mighty Mother of Production	Page 73
Rosa Americana Coins	Utile Dulci	The Useful with the Pleasant	Page 40/41
Vermont Copper	Vermonts Res Publica	The Republic of Vermont	Page 67
Vermont Copper	Vermon Auctori	By authority of Vermont	Page 67
Vermont Copper	Vermontensium Res Publica	The Republic of Vermont	Page 67
Hibernia – Voce Populi	Voce Populi	By the voice of the people	Page 47
Nove Eborac – NY	Virt. Et Lib.	Virtue and Liberty	Page 65
	Louis XIV Roi de France et De Navare	Louis XIV, King of France and Navarre	
French Colonies 1721-22	Colonies Francoises	French Colonies	Page 51
St. Patrick Coinage	Floreat Rex	May the King prosper	Page 39
French Issues of 1670	Sit. Nomen domini Benedictum	?	Page 50/51
French Issues of 1670	Gloriam regni V Tvi Digeniti	?	Page 50
Vermont Coppers	Auctori Vermont	By authority of Vermont	Page 67
Libertas Americana Medal	Non Sine Diis Animosus Infans.	?	Page 86
Virginia Half Pennies	Nia. Virgi	?	Page 43
Various	Hibernia	Ireland	Various

This list is by no means 100% complete but contains most of the coins listed in the "Red Book." A couple of them do not have translations above, maybe you can find what they mean. Hopefully this may be of interest to you and as most are common on colonial coins but what they mean and where they are found can be quite elusive.

Doug Nyholm



Identify This Coin

Can you identify the coin pictured above? What date is on this coin? Where or what book would you first look for this coin?

Good Luck!

[Last month's coin was an 1818 Texas Jola Token. JAG was the coiner, Jose Antonio de la Garza. It is very rare and virtually all have been found in the San Antonio Texas area.]

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Front of the new \$100 bill to be introduced in 2011

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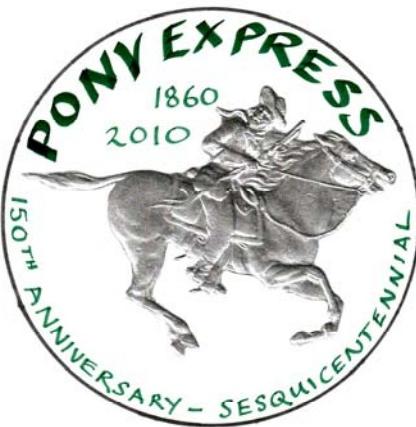
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2010 UNS MEDAL



Here are the submitted drawings for proposals for this year's UNS medal.

If you have an idea please bring it to our May meeting and we will add it to the pool of possibilities for voting.

Good Luck !

The designers will remain anonymous to maintain impartiality.